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1. FORMULATION HAS EVIDENTLY CHANGED FROM "GOALS AND OBJECTIVES" (REFTEL B) TO "GOALS AND TASKS". THE LATTER DOES SEEM MORE APPROPRIATE INASMUCH AS SOME OF THE ITEMS LISTED IN REF (A) ARE RATHER MORE HORTATORY AND GENERAL THAN SPECIFIC IN NATURE. THE LIST SEEMS GENERALLY ADEQUATE TO ME. I OFFER THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS KEYED TO THE PARAGRAPH DESIGNATION, SEE REF (A).

(A)(1)B. I ASSUME THIS REFERS ONLY TO OUR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE SPEEDIER TRIALS AND BETTER CONDITIONS OF INCARCERATION FOR US PRISONERS. IF MORE GENERALIZED PRESSURE IS INTENDED, WHAT SPECIFIC CHANGES IN THE PERUVIAN LEGAL SYSTEM DO WE SEEK?

(A)(1)D. WE WILL, OF COURSE, REQUIRE INSTRUCTIONS AND A DRAFT TREATY TO PURSUE THIS INITIATIVE.

(A)(2)C. SUGGESTED RE-WORDING: QUOTE SUPPORT AND, IF GOP PERFORMANCE WARRANTS, CONSIDER INCREASE IN US ASSISTANCE TO PERUVIAN DRUG INTERDICTIONS PROGRAM; IF POSSIBLE REVIEW THE NEW COMPREHENSIVE DRUG LAW BEFORE CONFIDENTIAL.

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ITS PROMULGATION IN ORDER TO SEEK ANY CHANGES THAT MAY BE DESIRABLE; EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF A PILOT CROP SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM IF A GENUINE GOP COMMITMENT TO CURBING COCA PRODUCTION IS EVIDENT. UNQUOTE.

(A)(2)D. NEW ITEM: QUOTE OBTAIN THE GOP'S AGREEMENT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LABOR TRAINING PROGRAM WITH

AIFLD PARTICIPATION. UNQUOTE.

(B)(2)A. SUGGESTED RE-WORDING: QUOTE ENCOURAGE THE GOP TO MAINTAIN MORALES BERMUDEZ'S COMMITMENT TO CEASE PURCHASING NEW ARMS; MONITOR THAT COMMITMENT CLOSELY. UNQUOTE.

(B)(2)B. I AM RELUCTANT ON THIS ONE GIVEN THE EVIDENT REFUSAL OF CHILE, BOLIVIA OR ECUADOR EVEN TO PUT THE QUESTION TO THE GOP. THE PROBLEM HERE IS LATIN SENSITIVITY AND FACE ON BOTH SIDES. WE MIGHT MORE REALISTICALLY FOLD (2)B INTO (2)C MORE OR LESS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE ENCOURAGE FURTHER ARMS LIMITATIONS DISCUSSIONS AMONG THE ANDEAN COUNTRIES WITH THE FOCUS ON MORE SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS WITH RESPECT TO FUTURE ARMS PURCHASES. UNQUOTE.

(B)(3)A. HOW DO WE HANDLE THE PERUVIAN ARGUMENT THAT THERE IS NOTHING TO TALK ABOUT UNTIL CHILE AND BOLIVIA AGREE ON A PROPOSAL? PERHAPS AS A FIRST STEP WE SHOULD FOCUS ON TRYING TO PIN DOWN SPECIFICALLY JUST WHAT THE GOP WOULD REGARD AS SATISFACTORY SYMBOLIC RECOMPENSE FROM CHILE. IT SEEMS TO ME AT THIS POINT THAT WE OURSELVES WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO GET INTO SERIOUS AND QUITE SPECIFIC TALKS WITH THE THREE PARTIES IF THERE IS TO BE ANY REAL MOVEMENT ON THIS ISSUE. CONFIDENTIAL

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(C)(2) SUGGESTED RE-WORDING: QUOTE BUILD ON EXISTING COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS TO INTENSIFY CONSULTATION AND MUTUAL SUPPORT IN GENERAL FIELDS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DISARMAMENT/ NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION. UNQUOTE.

2. I ASSUME THAT ACHIEVEMENT OF PERUVIAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE IWC AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF PORPOISE CONSERVATION ARE SOMEHOW COMPREHENDED IN "STANDARD AMBASSADORIAL OBJECTIVES/TALKS". THE WHALE PROBLEM IN PARTICULAR SEEMS TO ME A POTENTIAL SOURCE OF FRICTION. SHLAUDEMAN

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